## **IN THE ABSTRACT**

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One embodiment of the present invention is a method and machine readable medium for determining optimal values of design parameters of a subsystem to meet design constraints. The subsystem includes a number of circuits. A parameter function is created for the corresponding circuits. The parameter function represents a relationship among the design parameters. The design parameters are optimized based on the parameter functions to satisfy the design constraints.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend Claims 1, 11, 21, and 22 as follows:

1. (AMENDED) A method [for determining optimal values of design parameters of a subsystem to meet design constraints, the subsystem comprising a plurality of circuits, the method] comprising:

(a) creating parameter functions for a plurality of circuits in a subsystem, the subsystem having design constraints, each one of the parameter functions corresponding to each one of the circuits [the corresponding circuits], the parameter functions representing a relationship among the design parameters; and

(b) optimizing [the] design parameters based on the parameter functions to satisfy the design constraints.